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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 1855.

MUSEUM OF THE SOUTHWESTERN AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL ASSOCIATION.—By the politeness of Col. B. P. Johnson, secretary of the New York State Agricultural Society, we have been favored with a copy of the September number of the "Journal of the N. York State Agricultural Society." In looking over its contents, we notice the acknowledgment, by the executive committee, of donations to the museum and library of a variety of articles, seeds, books, &c. This reminds us of the project which was started last winter to establish an *Agricultural Museum* in connection with the Southwestern Agricultural Association of Kentucky. We have since heard nothing of the progress of the plan. We sincerely hope it has not been abandoned, for we consider it one of the most important measures for the good of the Society, for the manufacturers of the city of Louisville and elsewhere, and the farmers in general, that could be adopted.

There are hundreds of manufacturers of agricultural implements and machines, as well as almost every other article of every-day utility, who would gladly contribute specimens of their ingenuity and skill to build up such a museum as the best advertising medium for their individual business that they could employ.

Natural curiosities of various kinds coming within the proper sphere of the Society, the various agricultural products worthy of notice, of our own and other countries, would all contribute to render such a collection a place of public resort and pleasant pastime for many of our own citizens as well as strangers who visit Louisville. If a farmer or planter came into the city for the purchase of farm implements, and visited such a collection, composed as it would be of the best specimens of implements upon the most improved plans, he could there make choice of those which would best suit him, and from the cards of the manufacturers he could make his orders. Such a collection, too, would constitute one of the most attractive features of the annual exhibitions and would aid in calling out many persons from abroad who might not otherwise be induced to attend the fairs.

We never visit Albany, N. Y., without spending an hour or two in the State Geological and Agricultural Rooms and Museum. These collections have been established but a few years, and yet they contain a great variety of the natural history of the State, including preserved specimens of beasts, birds, fishes, reptiles, fossils, &c., together with implements of agriculture, embracing specimens of the rudest character of former times, not only of our own country but of the semi-civilized nations of the earth, showing a most striking and interesting contrast with the wonderfully improved and neatly finished implements of the present age. A collection of such articles now in common use, compared with those which the ingenuity of the American people will substitute at a period fifty years hence, will afford a no less interesting contrast.

When the project of establishing these collections was first introduced in New York, the State Legislature made an appropriation for the purpose, and granted the use of the old State house and had it appropriately fitted up to receive them. It soon became a matter of such general interest that the Legislature made a liberal appropriation to enlarge the building upon the most magnificent scale, occupying a large front on State street and extending through the width of the entire block to the next street.

These rooms are always open to the public, free of charge, with polite and attentive persons present to accompany visitors. In addition to the museum, Mr. Johnson, the secretary of the Agricultural Society, has his office in the building, where he is ever ready to attend to the duties of the Society or extend his attentions to strangers from abroad.

We hope the stockholders of the Southwestern Agricultural Association will not lose sight of this important feature in connection with the other objects of its organization, but will move in the matter at once. The present is a season of unparalleled prosperity among our farmers and citizens generally, and now is the most propitious period to forward such a work. If the matter be taken hold of with proper spirit and energy, and the importance of the subject be properly laid before the Legislature of the State at its approaching session, we have no doubt that the Society will receive the sanction of that body as a State institution, with an appropriation which would form a nucleus that would ultimately result in essential benefit to the State at large. Even should no aid be received from the State, the Society is abundantly able to accomplish the work. It only remains for its officers and members to move in the matter.

The American party of the first district of Louisiana has nominated Geo. Eustis, Jun., as its candidate for Congress.

The readers of the Democrat must necessarily observe that all its articles and paragraphs are about us. The editor is evidently incapable of writing about anything else. And yet things looked a few days ago as if he really meant to shoot us. Now this is very strange—positively unaccountable. How can our neighbor think of killing us when he must know, that, if we were killed, he would have to stop his paper for the want of a subject to write about? Has he considered this matter in all its important aspects and bearings?

FINE FRUIT.—We have seen a good deal of fine fruit this season raised in this county, but our friend Philip R. Taylor, of Bellevue, Oldham county, sent us a box of apples, pears, and peaches yesterday that will favorably compare with the very finest. Our Jefferson fruit-growers must look out for their laurels. Bellevue is situated on the river, eighteen miles above the city.

The editor of the Democrat suggests that we stick our heads "in the sand as the ostrich does." We cannot conscientiously give him the same advice. His head is not worth protecting, and then his late adventure among his Irish friends shows that it isn't the part of him most in need of protection.

A deck-hand on the mailboat Jacob Strader, who went by the name of Jimmy, fell or was accidentally pushed overboard just as the boat was starting out yesterday, and was drowned. The body has not yet been recovered.

ELECTION ON SATURDAY.—The citizens are to vote on Saturday next on the question of endorsing bonds to the amount of \$250,000 for the Lebanon branch. We shall speak more at length of the importance of this road to Louisville hereafter.

RIVER AND STEAMBOAT MATTERS.

The river was falling again yesterday, but another rise may be confidently looked for. Last evening there were 5 feet 8 inches water in the canal. The weather has cleared up.

The St. Louis Republican, of Monday, says:

The river at this point is at a stand, with a good stage to Cairo. The last report from the upper Mississippi is that it is falling from St. Paul down, with 32 inches on the upper and 28 inches on the lower rapids. Fever river is very difficult of navigation. We have nothing from the Missouri river, and the Illinois is reported falling with 34 feet in the channel to LaSalle. Weather yesterday showery—evening cloudy and dark.

The Northerner, a fine boat, is the packet for St. Louis this morning. We are indebted to her attentive clerks for favors.

The Northerner will take New Orleans passengers and transfer them to the fine steamer Falls City at Cairo which will be in waiting for her there.

The Ben Franklin arrived from New Orleans last evening. She had a large cargo, among it a lot of railroad iron, which she discharged at Mound City Messrs. Allen and Jouett, her clerks, have our thanks for papers and manifest and memorandum. The Ben has been laid up.

The steamer John Tompkins left Eastport on Sunday. She will be here in time to leave this port on Saturday.

Messrs. Temple & Robinson, boat-builders of Madison, have taken contracts for the construction of four large new boats for the St. Louis and New Orleans and the St. Louis and Missouri river trades.

NEWS ITEMS.

Texas Volunteers.—It may be interesting to some of our readers to know that those persons, or their heirs, who served in the revolution of Texas, of 1836, are entitled to about 2000 acres of land within the limits of that State, and those who served in any of her wars since 1836, are entitled to 640 acres.

Hon. John L. Bridges, judge of the Bardstown circuit, is suffering from a paralytic stroke.

A correspondent informs the Picayune that Lieut. Charles N. Underwood, First U. S. Infantry, died at Fort Duncan on the 7th inst., at 10 P. M. He was much esteemed by his brother officers.

John Blakesley was stabbed with a sword-cane at New Orleans on Tuesday, and died a few days subsequently. He refused to reveal the perpetrator. A negro woman, with whom Blakesley had been living, confessed the crime, and she was tempted by jealousy—Blakesley having also been living with another negro woman. She called him to account for it, when he kicked her, and she then ran the sword through him.

A new Baptist church at Pine Bluff, Ark., was destroyed by fire on the 15th. Horace Collier has been arrested charged with firing it.

The Aspinwall Courier communicates the following information relative to Col. Kinney and his party:

We learn that the Colonel and his party are in fine spirits, and had been joined by considerable reinforcements; they are reported as quiet, well-disposed persons, paying in cash for everything they receive, and in every respect conducting themselves in the most orderly manner, by which course they have thus far gained the good will of the people of Greytown.

It is said that Col. Kinney purposes moving into the interior soon, to confer with the government authorities of Nicaragua, and probably to offer them his services in case a war should break out between that country and Costa Rica, which is at present anticipated.

We are told that the Colonel anticipates visiting this isthmus by the next steamer from Greytown if possible, with what object we do not know.

TWO WEEKS LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.

ARRIVAL OF THE GEORGE LAW.

The U. S. mail steamer George Law arrived at quarantine, New York, on Saturday morning, at half-past 4. She brings the California mails of Aug. 1, \$1,285,616 in treasure, and 442 passengers.

The steamship Golden Age left San Francisco August 1, with 420 passengers and \$1,000,000 in treasure on freight, \$312,284 of which was on English account. She arrived at Panama on the evening of the 13th.

A line of telegraph has been erected between Aspinwall and Panama, and is now in successful operation.

The health of the Isthmus is good. There has been but little rain and the railroad is in excellent condition.

Mr. David W. Steele, son of the Hon. Stewart Steele, of Pittsburg, Penn., accidentally shot himself with a pistol, at the Mission of San Gabriel. He is thought to be mortally wounded.

Difficulties are seriously apprehended from the Indians of Menserat, growing out of the improper conduct of Col. C. J. Curtis, the sub-Indian agent.

His Excellency the Governor has issued a proclamation for the general election to be held throughout the State on the first Wednesday of next September.

The Stockton Argus is informed by farmers that in that county, as well as in Tuolumne, Calaveras, and Mariposa, the grain crops fall off one-half compared with the amount raised last year.

Mrs. Woodward, the actress, has commenced a suit against her husband for divorce, on the ground of adultery on his part.

The Nevada Democrat says it became generally known on Monday morning last, that, in consequence of the protest of drafts on Burgoyne & Co., and other financial reverses, the banking-house of Hamlet Davis, in that city, had to suspend. The liabilities are understood to be large.

[From the Alta California, Aug. 1.]

Summary of the Portnight's News.—On the 17th inst. the steamer Sierra Nevada arrived from San Juan, having lost thirty persons on the passage, by cholera. It was feared the disease would assume an epidemic character here, but it was checked at once by prompt action on the part of Capt. C. R. Garrison and the authorities.

A fire broke out about 6 o'clock, in this city, in the steam saw-mill of Mr. R. F. Chase, in Stevenson street, on the 18th inst., by which twenty houses were destroyed. The loss was about \$30,000.

There are now in port the British ships Monarch, 84 guns, and President, 62 guns; also the French ships La Forte, Enrydice, Alceste, and brig Obligado. Salutes have been exchanged between the Monarch and Fort Point.

Spurious "slugs," or \$50 pieces, are in circulation through the city and State. The interior of the pieces has been sawed out and a base metal substituted, reducing the coin nearly one-half. The deception is so complete that many of the oldest bankers in San Francisco have been misled by them. Slugs have been repudiated by nearly all the bankers.

George W. Wendell, formerly third mate of the steamer Sierra Nevada, has been arrested and tried before United States Commissioner Monroe, on the charge of stealing \$40,000 in gold dust from that vessel, at San Juan. The Commissioner did not think the testimony sufficient to warrant the conviction of the accused by a jury trial, or to raise the legal presumption of his guilt.

The old Washington Hotel was destroyed by fire on the night of the 20th, and a little girl burned to death.

Numerous personal difficulties and fights have occurred about town in the past fortnight. Cow-hidings and beatings have taken place, but no one has been seriously injured.

A rencontre occurred recently at Algerine Camp, near Sonora, between a gentleman named Kerrick and Judge Worth. The difficulty appears to have had its origin in Kerrick accusing Worth of being concerned in the robbery of Judge Brunton. Worth demanded a retraction of the charges, which was refused by Kerrick. A difficulty then ensued between them, during which Kerrick was shot several times and died immediately. Worth gave himself up to the authorities.

An immigrant train from Arkansas, which wintered at Salt Lake, which it left on the 15th of April, has arrived at Sacramento, and passed over to Yolo.

The farmers in the vicinity of Ureka have commenced harvesting their wheat, and in Scott valley will commence in a few days to cut their grain also. The crop is generally good, the injury from grasshoppers being mostly confined to the vicinity of Table Rock, in Shasta valley.

Our advices from Crescent City are to the 18th inst. The loss of the steamer America is severely felt in the interruption of weekly communication with San Francisco by steam.

A poisonous spring has been discovered in El Dorado county. A gentleman named Col. Henderson has in his possession a specimen of auriferous ore of arsenic, which he will show to any one interested in the development of the mineral wealth of El Dorado county. The specimen is of silvery appearance, with particles of gold mixed; the bulk of the specimen, however, is the bright ore of arsenic. One specimen yielded \$8 of pure gold to one pound of ore. The deposit is 30 feet thick, and crops out on the surface of the earth. The spring flowing through this causes gradual death by drinking it.

A great fire occurred at Stockton on the morning of the 30th ult. The loss of property is estimated at about \$30,000.

Settler's Convention in Sacramento.—The Sacramento Union of the 31st July states that the delegates recently elected to the Settler Convention assembled at 2 o'clock P. M., on Monday at Concert Hall on K street.

A resolution was adopted that every American citizen has the right, to settle upon any lands not in the actual occupation of another, and to hold the same until a patent issues therefor.

That by virtue of act 3d March, 1851, any grantee of Mexico or Spain may show a right to a particular piece of land and entitle himself to a patent for the same. That the improvements made on any lands thus patented are the production and property of those who made them.

[From the Los Angeles Star, July 14.]

Earthquake in Los Angeles.—On last Tuesday evening our city was thrown into commotion by the most violent shock of an earthquake ever before experienced in this country. The walls of some of our most substantial buildings were riven from top to bottom. Nearly every house was deserted by the terrified occupants.

Some of our merchants have suffered severely

from the damage they have sustained in having their goods thrown from the shelves, and some of our brick buildings have been materially injured, although no walls have yet fallen down. The shock occurred at precisely a quarter before 8 o'clock in the evening, as some pendulum clocks indicated in our jewelry stores that were stopped by the oscillation, and lasted probably not to exceed five seconds. We learn that a shock occurred here in 1847, but was not so violent as this. The shock was felt at the Mission of San Gabriel, at the Monte, and at Cocomaingo, some forty miles from this city.

We are informed that the shock was so violent at the Mission that the bells of the church were thrown down and the ground cracked open.

ANOTHER PARTY IN THE FIELD.—The Placerville Mountain Democrat, a leading Democratic paper in El Dorado county, which has heretofore refused to support the nominations made by the Democratic State Convention, contains the following announcement: There is a rumor very prevalent in our city that a number of gentlemen from the different counties in the State, opposed to Know Nothingism, met in convention at San Francisco lately, and nominated the following ticket:

For Governor—L. Aldrich.
Lieutenant Governor—Gen. David Douglass.
Judge of the Supreme Court—John H. Howell, full term; Charles M. Creanor, unexpired term.

State Comptroller—Mr. Barber.
Surveyor General—Charles H. Thomas.
Attorney General—Calhoun Benham.
State Printer—Paul Morrill.

Gen. Douglass, Judge Howell, and Calhoun Benham have heretofore acted with the Whig party, but they are now, we understand, since the Whigs have abandoned their principles and joined the Know Nothings, heart and soul with the Democracy. Every candidate on the ticket endorses to the fullest extent the Nebraska bill. Rumor further says that J. R. Maloney, J. W. McCorkle, and Dudley, were nominated for State Prison Directors, but this seems improbable.

The Allies at Work in the Pacific.—The French brig of war Obligado, Captain Rosen-court, had arrived at San Francisco from Petropaulowski bringing intelligence of the destruction of the fortifications at that place by the Anglo-French squadron. The Alta California obtained the following details from Lt. De Journal of the Obligado.

Destruction of the Forts at Petropaulowski and Flight of the Inhabitants.—The allied fleet, consisting of eight war vessels and steamers, arrived at Petropaulowski on the 15th of May, but the garrison had already left for the Amoor river, in the Russian frigate Aurora, corvette Dwina and two merchant vessels. The escape of the garrison was a master stroke on the part of the Russians, who availed themselves of a dense fog which set in on the night of the 17th of April, and so eluded the English war steamers Encounter (screw) of 14 guns, and Baracouter (side wheel) of 6 guns, which had been blockading the harbor for 50 days previous. The orders to evacuate were received from the Russian headquarters in Siberia.

On anchoring in the harbor, a detachment was sent on shore by the commanders of the fleets. They landed and found the town deserted, save by about 100 Kamtschatka dogs, a French naturalized American, and two Americans, who raised the stars and stripes over their houses when the forces landed, claiming that as the Russians had abandoned the place and left it to them, they were the possessors of the soil. These men are engaged in trading, and are represented as doing good business. The dogs were in a starving condition, and followed the invaders about town for bits of biscuit.

The fleets have gone to cruise for the present among the Aleutian Islands, and will probably look in at Sitka. An English and French squadron have proceeded by the China Sea to the mouth of the Amoor river where the dispatch says there will soon be severe fighting. There are about ten ships of war in these fleets, which would be joined by the steamer Brisk, now at Petropaulowski. The line-of-battle ship Monarch is the flag ship of the English squadron.

The parties were divided into companies, who proceeded to burn, blow up, and destroy the arsenals, store houses, and all government buildings. Not a vestige of any public work was left standing, except the hospital, which, with the church and the dwellings of the poorer classes of the inhabitants, was left untouched. The inhabitants commenced deserting the place shortly after the garrison embarked. Accompanied by the authorities, they started on or about the 20th of April toward Tchinsk; but the Governor's wife being *eniente*, the flight continued only to the small fishing village of Avache, some twenty miles inland.

The following day after the arrival of the allies, the destruction of the fortifications commenced. These were fascines constructed of immense logs—the walls being sixteen feet in thickness. Such was their strength, they resisted all efforts for some time, and were finally razed to the ground by the agency of powder. It appears that the policy of the Russian Government had changed rather suddenly in this matter. After the battle of last year, orders came for strengthening the forts, and though at that time such a resistance was made as to repel the assailants, their being but one tier of guns, it was ordered to increase it to a double tier. The destroyers found embrasures for 51 guns of heavy calibre.

Oregon and Washington Territories.—We have papers from Oregon to the 21st of July and Washington to the 5th.

The Oregon papers have glowing accounts of gold and lead mines.

The harvest in Oregon was rapidly ripening, with the most abundant prospects for all kinds of grain.

Anderson (Democrat) has been elected Delegate to Congress from Washington Territory by 84 majority.

The Mexican Insurrection.—A correspondent of the New Orleans Picayune, relating the progress of the insurrection in the north of Mexico, says that Vidauri intends, if successful, to make the church disgorge some of its wealth. He next proposes to form an extradition treaty with the United States, whereby fugitives from either side of the line shall be returned when application is made, and sufficient legal proof given of the person. The correspondent says the Texans have suffered so much from their slaves running off into Mexico that the mere hope of procuring an extradition treaty would induce them to volunteer by hundreds.

Guide to the Mammoth Cave.

PICTORIAL Guide to the Mammoth Cave, Ky., by Rev. A. Wallace Martin. Illustrated in the first style of art by S. Wallace, Jno. Andrews, and N. Orr.
A large supply received and for sale by
J. L. J. & Co. S. KINGOLD, 66 Fourth st., near Main.

LADIES RIDING HATS of the most approved styles are to be had of
J. L. J. & Co.

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NEWS FROM UTAH TERRITORY.—The mail brings us files of the Deseret News, printed at Great Salt Lake City, to the 1st of July. From these papers we make the following extracts, presenting a melancholy picture of the prospects of the people of Utah for the coming winter:

[From the Salt Lake City News, June 13.]

Present Prospects.—Within the past week grasshoppers have done much damage in Davis county, where some fields had hitherto escaped; and in this city, after eating up young fruit trees and shrubbery, they have barked and killed thousands of apple, peach, pear, and other trees two or three years' old, and are now eating the peaches, some of which are as large as pigeons' eggs.

Between grasshoppers and drouth the grass is entirely used up in many places, and distant ranges which snow under in winter will have to be sought for all surplus stock, or it may fare but poorly for food when the next snows fall. The city cows have now almost entirely failed in giving milk, on account of the scarcity of grass.

Many persons, we understand, are already out of flour.

Grasshoppers, &c.—Hon. Calvin C. Pendleton arrived in this city from Iron county, on the 24th. He states that the health of the people is generally good; that the grasshoppers have destroyed all the grain at Paragonah, nine-tenths at Parowan; all of the wheat at Fort Johnson, and about one-tenth of the grain at Cedar city; the grain at Harmony is unharmed.

The bursting of a cloud on the mountains about the first of June washed away the house of B. R. Hulse, in Cedar City, and injured several others. The fields are like a desert and every separate branch appears to be hatching out fresh crops of grasshoppers. The water is lower than has ever been known before, and but a small portion of the land reservoir can possibly be watered. A small party has started to Santa Clara mission to plant corn. The people of Iron county are in first-rate spirits. The public square at Parowan city (10 acres) has been planted with potatoes, in the hope that the united efforts of men, women, children, chickens, ducks, turkeys, &c., may save a sufficiency to have occasionally a little potato soup next winter.

The farmers in the south part of this county had several days of rejoicing last week, that the inveterate enemy of their crops had disappeared, many of them having sown their fields for the third time; but on Friday afternoon an innumerable multitude, a cloud of grasshoppers descended upon their farms. The fourth sowing has commenced; seed very scarce. Some of the farmers are drilling the wheat, as seed has failed when sown broadcast as usual.

[From the same paper of June 27th.]

Nine-tenths of the wheat crops are destroyed at Fillmore. Chalk creek very low, fresh recruits of grasshoppers hatching on the benches. The fields of Nephi city look like the seat of desolation.

At Salt Lake City on Saturday and Sunday the grasshoppers filled the sky for three miles deep, or as far as they could be seen without the aid of telescopes, and somewhat resembling a snow-storm, which latter would have been very acceptable to the parched grass and cattle. Drought very severe, the creeks low, and the weather hot.

[From this morning's Journal.]

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.

The report received last night of the explosion of the coast-survey steamer Hetzel near the Chesapeake Bay proves to be true. The explosion occurred on the 24th, killing Saml' C. Lattimer, third assistant engineer, Wm. Bulges, Wm. Gardner, and John T. Knight, firemen. Michael Scallin, seaman, was badly injured and Coleman Welsh and B. F. Van Horn, seamen, and D. E. Marshall, quartermaster, slightly. The steamer is almost a total wreck.

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.

The American Association for the Advancement of Education is in session. Prof. Bache presides. Upon taken the chair the Professor delivered an address on the want of a great national university, and noticed the absence of harmony among collegiate institutions of the country.

Several distinguished gentlemen addressed the Association denouncing the exclusion of religious instruction in our common schools.

Boston, Aug. 28.

Yesterday the sch. Mary E. Smith, which had cleared for Montevideo under suspicious circumstances, was bearded by three custom-house officers while lying in the stream, and the captain put to sea taking the officers with him. The officers returned last night, having been put on board a steamer in the lower harbor. The sch. is clipper built. She was cleared by a citizen of Louisiana, and is doubtless intended for a slave.

CUSTOM-HOUSE DIVISION.—Transportation Routes.

The following routes for the transportation of merchandise in bond from one port of entry to another port of entry, or delivery, have been authorized by the Treasury Department: From the ports of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore, to Pittsburg, Wheeling, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, Nashville, Natchez, Evansville, New Albany, Burlington (Vermont), Sackett's Harbor, Rochester, Oswego, Lewiston, Buffalo, Ogdensburg, Plattsburg, Cape Vincent, Erie, Toledo, Sandusky, Cleveland, Detroit, Michilimackinac, Chicago, and Milwaukee by canal, railroad, river, or lake, wholly or in part, as the party may select in his entry. Also, from a port or ports on the Atlantic, to any other port on the Atlantic, Gulf of Mexico, or the Pacific, or vice versa by such routes or conveyance as the party in his entry may select. Also, from the port of New Orleans to any port of entry or delivery on the Mississippi or its tributaries, and by such conveyance and route as the party selects in his entry. Also, from the ports of Charleston and Savannah to the ports of Knoxville, Nashville, and Memphis, by such conveyance and route as may be designated on the entry. Whatever mode of transportation may be adopted, whether by land or water, or partly by land and partly by water, the route is required to be set forth and particularly described in the entry.—Washington Union.

DIED.

At El Dorado City, El Dorado co., Cal., on the 27th July, of fever, Mrs. H. J. McKay, wife of Hugh McKay, aged 25 years and 4 months.

Deceased came to California in December, 1852. She was the daughter of the Rev. C. W. Ruter, Presiding Elder in the M. E. Church, Indiana Conference. She was born in Lexington, Ind., but for several years before coming to California was a resident of New Albany, Ind.

At Pleasantville, Cal., on the 18th July, ALEX. RANDOLPH formerly of Kentucky.

On Tuesday morning, Aug. 28th, at 3 o'clock, of consumption, Miss CAROL L. FARDY.

LOUISVILLE, August 28.

FROM TEXAS.—The steamship Chas. Morgan, from Indianola and Galveston, arrived at New Orleans on the 21st, with Galveston dates to the 18th and San Antonio dates to the 11th:

The Galveston News, of the 18th, has returns of the election from 35 counties, in which the vote for Governor runs up: Pease (Dem.) 9,668; Dickson (Am.) 7,350. Majority for Pease 2,318. In the same counties Russell (Dem.) heads Jowers (Am.) for Lieut. Governor. The eastern counties heard from generally, have given majorities for Ward, the Democratic candidate for Congress. In the western district, judging by the returns received, Bell (Dem.) is elected to Congress, beating Hancock (Am.) by a considerable majority.

They have had the yellow fever at Galveston, or something resembling it. It caused some two or three deaths. The health of the city had improved.

We regret to learn that several cases of genuine yellow fever have occurred in Houston, and some dozen persons have died. A correspondent, writing to the Galveston News, under date of the 13th inst., says: "I hear of no new cases to-day, and the disease has not assumed an epidemic form."

The mast crop of Texas, this year, is said to be one of the largest ever known.

The Gonzales Enquirer, of the 11th inst., says: We continue to receive the most favorable accounts relative to the cotton crop of our country. The heavy rains have not, so far as we can learn, done much injury. A more suitable time for picking than the present, could not be desired.

We learn that 15,000 Germans have left Hamburg, Germany, for the shores of Texas. They are expected to arrive at Indianola within the next month or two.

The Nueces Valley hoists the name of Col. Kinney as a candidate for the Presidency in 1886.

A letter from Gulf Prairie says the cane and corn crops in that neighborhood promise a heavy yield, but it is feared the rains will injure the cotton.

The accounts of the crops from the interior, says the *Lavaca Herald*, are highly encouraging. The incoming crops exceed anticipation; an abundant and teeming harvest can be relied on.

The San Antonio Texan, of the 9th inst., says:

We never witnessed the polls in our city, on Monday, opened under more excitement. It seemed to reach every class of our citizens, old and young, rich and poor, male and female, Protestant, Catholic, Jew, and Infidel; and still, what seems extraordinary, no serious difficulty occurred.

The editor of the *Ledger* has received a fine specimen of stone coal, which was taken from the banks of the San Antonio river, several miles below the city of San Antonio.

A letter to the *Corpus Christi Vindicator* and *Advertiser*, dated Fort McIntosh, July 31, says:

A few soldiers of this command have deserted, and have joined the filibusters.

I regret to announce to you that our commanding officer, Col. W. Loring, Mounted Riflemen, when in the act of stepping from his carriage on the 26th inst., fell, breaking his right arm and otherwise injuring him.

I also regret to announce to you the horrible murder of Lieut. John Williams, First Dragoons, by private Dunn, of Company G, Regiment of Mounted Riflemen, at Fort Davis, on the 30th ult.

THE REV. MR. BUTLER'S VOYAGE DOWN THE MISSOURI.—We gave an account yesterday of the shipping of the Rev. Mr. Butler, an abolitionist, down the Missouri river by the citizens of Atchison, a town in Kansas. Mr. Butler's own account of the proceedings is as follows:

At length they came to consult with me. Ira Norris, Esq., late resident in Platte City, and clerk of the county court of Platte county (a Yankee by birth and education), came to me and said, "Mr. B., I will advise you for your good, as a friend, when you get away—just keep away." I said, "Sir, I expect to go away, but I intend to come back again." I said, "I cannot leave; I own real estate here close by Atchison, in the State of Missouri, and I have a claim on Stranger creek; I cannot leave." Some one remarked, "You can sell your claim through an agent." I said, "I will neither sell my claim through an agent, nor in my own proper person. If you do not take my life, I intend to live on it." They said to me again, "Well, stay on your claim, but keep away from Atchison." I said, "Gentlemen, if you do not take my life, and Providence permits, I shall come back to Atchison." They said, "If you come back again to Atchison, we will hang you." They offered to show me the very tree on which they would hang me.

They made another proposal. "Well, live in the country, and vote as you think best, but hold your tongue." I said, "No; I will speak when I please." I said, "Gentlemen, I have done you no wrong. I had as good a right to come here as you, and have as good a right to speak my mind as you. I shall do my duty as I understand it; now do you do the same. You are many, I am but one man—dispose of me as you think best. I ask no favors of you."

They sent me down the river on a raft, without water or rudder, the editor of the *Squatter Sovereign* holding the rope that towed me into the middle of the stream.

My flag was inscribed as follows: "Eastern Emigrant Aid Express. The Rev. Mr. Butler's agent for the Underground Railroad." "The way they are served in Kansas." "For Boston." "Cargo insured, unavoidable danger of the Missourians and the Missouri river excepted." "Let future emissaries of the North beware. Our hemp crop is sufficient to reward all such scoundrels!"

Of the blazonry of my flag, I will not speak. I shall not tax myself or my reader with details any farther. I have heard of men before this, who were said to "look as though they came down on a raft." I shall keep these colors under which I have made my first voyage as a memento of those evil days.

While I was in the hands of these gentlemen (they don't like to be called ruffians) they lauded me with the assurance that I could make a fortune out of the affair at the East. I desire neither the wealth nor the notoriety that may be bought by such means. I desire to be permitted to remain peaceably in Kansas—to attend to my own proper business—and to enjoy those rights which are sacred to every American citizen; I ask to be let alone.

Very respectfully, I am,
PARDEE BUTLER.

STEAMBOAT POLAR STAR, Missouri river, August 23d, 1855.

ST. LOUIS FLOUR—100 bbls St. Louis Family Flour just received and for sale by

H. FERGUSON & SON, Corner Fifth and Market sts.

NEW WHEAT FLOUR—100 bbls just received and for sale by

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RYE FLOUR—30 bbls from ground Rye Flour for sale by

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Floor mill at \$6.25, with light sails. A sale of 600 bushels wheat at \$1.07 3/4 bushel. Sales of oats to the trade at 20¢ 2/3; retail price from store 3¢. Small sales of bay from the levee at \$1.10 ton.

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Sales of 39 hds tobacco—13 at \$5.00 60¢, 10 at \$5.25 60¢, 15 at \$5.67 60¢, 6 at \$5.85 50¢, and 1 at \$5.85. Sales 25 tons dew-rubbed hemp at \$130 00 ton. Sales 100 bbls new whisky at \$3.45, rectified 3¢. Not much doing in other articles, and no change in prices.

The St. Louis Republican, of Monday, says: The closing rates for hemp in the last weekly summary, was \$120 to \$130, fair to prime unressed. Since then with increased receipts the market has declined, and \$1.25 for prime is the highest quotation now reported. The stock in store is now estimated at about 7,000 bales, showing but a slight increase.

Buyers, although not so active as noticed heretofore, have taken the entire amount brought forward, and at the close a fair demand was expressed for the Ohio market. Our city manufacturers continue actively engaged, and require large supplies. New York advices are most favorable, and holders remain firm. The impression is entertained here, that the existing depression will shortly be regained, and that higher prices will mark the season's operations than any yet quoted.

New York, August 28, P. M. Cotton unchanged—sales of 500 bales. Flour is in moderate demand at previous rates—sales 1500 bbls. Wheat unchanged—sales of 49,000 bushels. Corn is in active demand at previous rates. Pork firm, with an upward tendency—sales 1,300 bbls. Beef unchanged—sales 450 bbls. Groceries firm—sales 7,500 bbls. Rice coffee at 11¢, 500 bbls Orleans sugar at 7¢, and 400 hds Orleans molasses at 36¢. 1-ton—sales 100 tons Scotch pig at previous rates. Lead firm. Sales 400 bbls whisky at 43¢. Tobacco firm—sales 50 hds Ky. at \$9.42.

Stocks are dull.

Baltimore, August 28. Flour—Howard street and Ohio are selling at \$3.25. Wheat is selling at \$1.00 3/4 70 for red, and \$1.25 3/4 80 for white. Corn—sales at \$5.00 8¢ for white and \$5.00 9¢ for yellow.

Memorandum.—The steamer Northern left St. Louis Monday, Aug. 26th, at 12 M. Met Grand Turk at Quarantine, Southern at the Big Dry, 27th—passed California at Cairo, Charleston at Uniontown, Ben Franklin at Mt. Vernon, 28th—met Highflyer at Rock Island.

Memorandum.—The steamer Ben Franklin left New Orleans Monday evening, 26th inst., 21st—Met T. C. Twissell at Red River, 24th—Met Republic at Napoleon, 25th—Met Sultana at Island 18. Made forty landings for freight and passengers, left New Orleans with 618 tons freight, and made the trip in eight days. Put out 1301 hds railroad iron at Mount City, and was detained 12 hours.

ARRIVALS. Jacob Strader, Summons, Cincinnati. Belle Quigley, Cline, Carrollton. Argonaut, McLean, Pittsburg. Great West, McCullough, St. Louis. Ben Franklin, Dallas, New Orleans. Northern, Fuller, St. Louis. Brazil, St. Louis.

DEPARTURES. Jacob Strader, Summons, Cincinnati. Belle Quigley, Cline, Carrollton. Argonaut, McLean, St. Louis. Great West, McCullough, Pittsburg. Tishomingo, Briscoe, Memphis. H. Bridges, Austin, Green river. Rainbow, Fuller, St. Louis. Fanny Bullitt, Dunham, New Orleans. Brazil, Pittsburg.

RECEIPTS. Per Jacob Strader from Cincinnati: 57 bgs coffee, Rawson & Co; 15 hds hams, Mitchell, G. & Co; 18 bbls whisky, Monks; 32 cs, Monahan; 78 bbls onions, McCallum; 100 lbs, S. & K; 100 lbs, Miller, St. Louis.

Per Brazil from St. Louis: 20 bales hemp, Brent & Son; 30 pigs lead, Glover, Ainslie, & Co. Per Northern from St. Louis: 19 bales hemp, Brent, Son & Co; 56 sacks wheat, 1 box mdr, 2 bks turp, Terry, Oglesby, & Co.

Per Ben Franklin from New Orleans: 310 bbls molasses Rawson & Co; 85 do, Gardner & Co; 500 bgs coffee, W. Gray; 2 cs cigars, Lon Journal; 6 cs kds brandy, 2 kds wine, Monks; 4 cs kds brandy, Zoune, 1 kds turpentine, 2 hf do, H. Kratz.

RAILROAD RECEIPTS. August 28.—Per Louisville and Frankfort Railroad: 100 pgs bgs, 48 bales twine, 127 cs rpe, 30 bales rpe for cattle. Eads; 10 bales jeans and muses, Brent & Son; 124 bush wheat, F. McFarley; 70 do, Shaller & G; 30 do, Shottwell & Son; 20 do, 12 bgs d, Brainerd & Co.

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